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COMMENT OF THE DAY

More Allegations

HONGKONG has again become the target for outrageous allegations. In Washington, officials are quoted as declaring that our police connive with perjurers; in Manchester a frustrated industrialist repeats the old accusation that the Colony exploits labour in order to produce cheaply-manufactured goods that undersell British products.

The allegations, though baseless, require comment. Government's quick and categorical denial of the assertion that the Hongkong police refuse to co-operate with the United States Consulate-General in the prosecution of Chinese who attempt to obtain entry visas to America by the presentation of forged documents and perjured statements is applauded. But the matter should not be allowed to rest there.

Hongkong is entitled to some explanations as well as an apology from the State Department. If officials in Washington gave tongue to the false allegation (and there has been no repudiation of the agency's report) it would be enlightening to know from what source they obtained their "information." And on what sort of "evidence" the "information" was based.

In this case the integrity of the Colony's police force through all levels is being called into question, and, because the allegation is unwarranted and baseless, this cannot be tolerated. We are entitled to a full and unreserved repudiation of the accusation by the State Department.

The time also appears appropriate for the US administration to take a much closer look at this question of Chinese immigration.

Hongkong presumably has been chosen as the centre for dealing with wholesale applications for admission into America because of its convenience. It is not the responsibility of the Hongkong authorities, however, to investigate applicants for American visas; they cannot be blamed if attempts are made to defraud US consular officials.

There seems to be room for a revision of the Consulate system of investigation. Perhaps the racket could be broken by transference to Taiwan of the visa office for Chinese immigrants. It is rather unfair that Hongkong, which freely offers facilities for United States officials to carry out their special functions, should have to bear the blame if the system of investigation yields undesirable results.

As for the allegation that sweat labour is the order of the day in this Colony, it can be treated with contempt. The gentleman who lent himself to such a ridiculous assertion obviously possesses no knowledge of our factory laws or employment conditions. It is also unlikely that he would evince any interest in them.

He finds it impossible to believe that our rubber shoes, for example, could possibly qualify for imperial preference, the innuendo being that our manufacturers, aided and abetted by the Department of Commerce and Industry, the Chinese Manufacturers Union and the Chambers of Commerce, contrive to produce commodities which do not contain the required quota of raw materials from the British Commonwealth. It is all rather wearying. Apparently assurances by the Board of Trade as well as Hongkong officials have no effect on the minds of some British industrialists.

To them it is inconceivable that anybody can manufacture commodities cheaper than those turned out in England without indulging in some sort of skulduggery. All one can do is to feel sorry for their ignorance and stupidity.

SURPRISE SOVIET ARMS PLAN

It Ignores A-Bomb Control: Moch Calls It "A Backward Step"

'PLEASE EXPLAIN' DEMAND LIKELY BY WEST

London, Mar. 27.

Russia today astonished the Western powers by putting forward a disarmament plan concerned only with the reduction of "conventional" armaments and containing no proposals for the elimination of atomic weapons.

Official sources said Mr Andrei Gromyko, deputy Soviet Foreign Minister, put the proposal at today's session of the five-nation Disarmament Sub-Committee of the United Nations.

Western delegates are anxious tonight being translated into English and French. At first sight it appeared to Western delegates to come nearer to their long-held demands for strict international supervision and control over disarmament. This issue has been a big obstacle to previous disarmament negotiations.

HE SEEKS TO REDRESS BALANCE OF POWER

Ben Gurion Calls For More Arms

Paris, Mar. 27. The Israeli Premier Mr David Ben Gurion said today his country would agree to a general embargo on shipments to the Middle East once Israel's armed forces were as strong as those of the Arab bloc.

He made the statement in an interview published in the influential afternoon newspaper Le Monde.

Mr Gromyko did not comment on the American proposal at today's session.

DRIVING A WEDGE

Some diplomatic observers saw the new Russian move as an attempt to drive a wedge between Britain and her Western allies. Against American opposition, Britain last year suggested a start on partial disarmament which concentrated on conventional forces.

Since then Britain has adopted with modifications, a three-stage French plan for complete disarmament in both conventional and nuclear weapons.

The United Nations Sub-Committee also has before it a single stage American plan for partial disarmament. Like the Anglo-French proposals, this starts with a pilot scheme based on President Eisenhower's "open skies" project for mutual aerial inspection to prevent surprise attack.

The United States has also offered to reduce its armed forces to 2,000,000 at an early stage if Russia will do the same.

Mr Gromyko did not comment on the American proposal at today's session.

FRENCH ATTITUDE

M. Jules Moch said the new Soviet plan revealed a "very profound change of orientation." "It is probable that it will not be possible to form a definite opinion about it until after having received from Mr. Gromyko the clarifications which, on various points, we will have to request."

"With this reservation, and in consequence on a preliminary basis, it is permissible to observe that the new Soviet plan marks a profound change or orientation. While since 1951 the United Nations and the parties the most directly concerned have agreed on the necessity to seek jointly a programme of global disarmament, in other words bearing both on conventional armaments and on nuclear armaments, the USSR declares today that this is not the right way to tackle non-

"We were able to buy two of them in Great Britain; then Egypt got two more. But the difference is not that bad. Two against four on sea—that can be managed."

And Tanks

"On the ground, Egypt has heavy and modern tanks: 35 Centaurians and Sidleys. We have nothing like that. But even here, eventually, we could manage to keep our own."

"However, once a balance of power is achieved, it will be ready to propose that the Israeli Government agree to a general embargo."—United Press.

Irish Partition For UN?

United Nations, Mar. 27. The Irish Premier Mr John Costello said today his Government was considering submitting the question of the partition of Ireland to the United Nations.

The Premier said his government had so far not taken any firm decision on this matter.—France-Presse.

LOST—ONE TURKISH DANCER

Paris, Mar. 27. A slimy, dark-haired Turkish dancing beauty has been missing from her Paris cabaret for eight days and local police fear she may have been kidnapped.

The 20-year-old girl, Alice Nana, walked out of the

cabaret last Tuesday morning after demanding 20,000 francs from her mother. She has not been seen since.

Her mother said the olive-skinned beauty was wearing a plain black dress and carried all her jewellery with her.

when she left. Alice's mother said her daughter's dance routine often evoked loud applause.

She fears that one of her daughter's admirers had decided to spirit her away.—United Press.

INLAND REVENUE MEN GET TOUGH COMMUNIST PARTY OFFICES CLOSED DOWN IN AMERICA

New York, Mar. 27. Federal officials today seized the Communist Party headquarters and the plant of its newspaper, the Daily Worker, for unpaid back taxes, a spokesman for the news paper said.

Mr Alan Max, Managing Editor of the Daily Worker, said United States Treasury agents ordered the headquarters and the newspaper plant to be vacated.

He said the agents told him the newspaper would not be published tomorrow.

In Philadelphia, Internal Revenue agents also padlocked the headquarters of the Com-

CURFEW FOLLOWS CYPRUS SHOOTING

Nicosia, Mar. 27. British troops imposed a strict house curfew on Famagusta village after two British soldiers were killed by terrorists.

Famagusta is in the "Triangle of Terror" south of Famagusta, scene of many recent acts of terror.

A report from Famagusta said one of the killed was an Army Lieutenant.

The soldiers were killed when driving in an Army patrol car. Twenty-one British servicemen have now been killed in the terror campaign.

Large forces were quickly deployed to hunt for the killers.

BOMBS THROWN

Other terrorists threw bombs in scattered areas of Cyprus tonight, but without causing casualties.

Gunmen in Limassol shot a Cypriot Greek customs official dead in the street today.

Southwest of Nicosia, terrorists blew up a mountain culvert over which British patrol cars were travelling. One swerved off the road and was slightly damaged.

Troops in the second car opened fire at a figure seen waving on a hill. Searchers afterwards found a 13-year-old boy shot in the thigh.

The report of the Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, on the credentials of the members of the Council was approved by the Council by a vote of 11 in favour and with three abstentions (India, Burma and the Soviet Union).—Reuter.

TALKS AT DELICATE STAGE

Three Object To Nationalists

New York, Mar. 27. India, Burma and the Soviet Union today declined to approve the credentials of the Nationalist Chinese representative on the United Nations Trusteeship Council.

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44 Arrested In Bombay

Bombay, Mar. 27. Police today arrested 44 people who tried to march on the state council here, defying a ban on processions.

Both houses of the State Legislature began a nine-day debate on the Indian Government's bill to reorganise state boundaries.

This has led to riots and many deaths in Bombay and other parts of India.—Reuter.

Nasser To Visit Yemen

Cairo, Mar. 27. The Egyptian Premier, Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, has accepted an invitation from Imam (King) Ahmed to visit the Yemen.—Reuter.

Hongkong Industries Not Going To S'pore

Singapore, Mar. 27. Labour in Singapore is dearer than in Hongkong and Hongkong industrialists, who came to Singapore recently in the hope of establishing branches, had to change their plans.

The Chairman of the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr Tan Sian Kew, said this morning commenting on a Hongkong report quoting the President of the Chinese Manufacturers Union, Mr U-Tat Chee as saying that Malaya's light industry could not produce goods competitive with those of Hongkong manufacturers because of labour conditions.

Mr U, who had returned from a month's tour of Malaya said Singapore would continue to buy Hongkong products for many years to come.

Mr U urged Hongkong industrialists to send a fact-finding delegation to Malaya to expand the market there.

He said Malaya was flooded with foreign goods which Hongkong could produce.—Reuter.

'Ease The Squeeze' Plea

London, Mar. 27. Eleven of Britain's top Trade Union chiefs tonight pleaded with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Harold Macmillan, to ease the "credit squeeze" in next month's Budget.

They urged him to make selective cuts in imports as a means to the same end—the staying of inflation.

Mr Macmillan told the delegation—the economic committee of the Trades Union Congress—that he would keep their views in mind, a joint statement said.

Industrial circles said that the Union leaders warned Mr Macmillan bluntly that unless the rising cost of living was halted a new round of pay claims must be expected.—Reuter.

Two Injured By Sniper's Bullets

Premier Resigns Report Denied

Jerusalem, Mar. 27. A Jordan sniper shot and wounded two Israelis this evening in the new city of Jerusalem. His spokesman said—Reuter.

American, Mar. 27. A Government official today denied a report from Beirut that the Jordanian Prime Minister, Mr Samir Rifa'i, had resigned.—Reuter.



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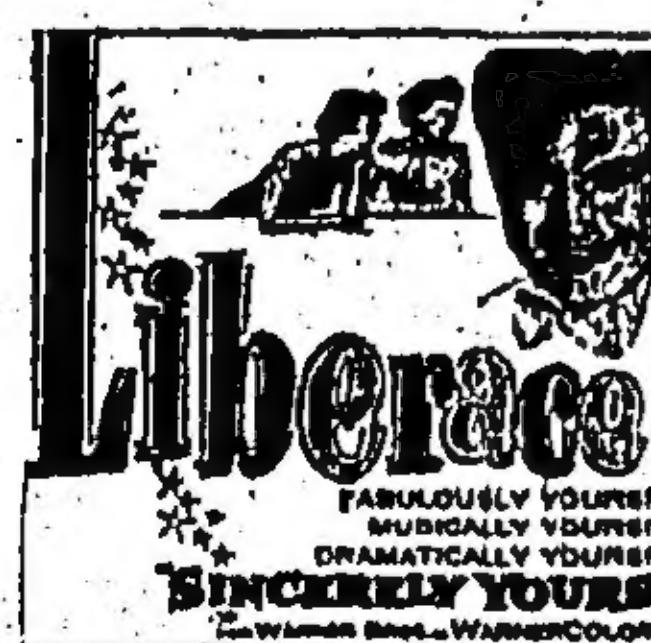
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29 REBELS KILLED IN ALGERIA

Transfer Of French Troops Studied By NATO Council

Algiers, Mar. 27. A total of 29 rebels were killed in five clashes with French security forces in Algeria's Constantine Department and in Kabylia yesterday, it was reported here today.

Communist Return Home Campaign



GENERAL DONOVAN

New York, Mar. 27. MAJOR-GENERAL L. William J. Donovan, who headed the wartime United States Office of Strategic Services, said today the Communist countries had launched a long-term, well-financed campaign to entice back people who had escaped from behind the Iron Curtain.

He told a Press conference here that in the 13 months ending last January, 1,158 refugees had returned to Soviet bloc countries. General Donovan headed a special commission of the International Rescue Committee which conducted an on-the-spot survey in Europe and Asia.

6,000 A YEAR
One committee member estimated that about 6,000 refugees, exclusive of Germans, fled to the West from behind the Iron Curtain every year.

The committee said Communist agents in Europe and the United States attempted to persuade the refugees to return to their homes. "Each single return," he said, "is not only of great propaganda value to the Communists, but also has an important unsettling effect among the refugees." — Reuter.

TWO-TON TOECAPS

Frankfurt, Mar. 27. If a two-ton weight falls on a West German railway worker's toe, the chances are that he will not even complain. The railways have begun issuing boots with reinforced steel toecaps to protect their employees against accidents. They can resist weights up to two tons, and a falling suitcase or hammer bounces off almost unnoticed. — China Mail Special.

Antarctic Boy Scout

New Brunswick, Mar. 27. The National Academy of Sciences has asked the Boy Scouts of America to select one of their number to act as a junior scientific assistant in Antarctica during the International Geophysical Year, 1957-58.

He must be at least 17 and not more than 19 years old.

China Mail Special.

Greek Envoy Leaves UK



Mr. Basilis Mostris, the Greek Ambassador in London, accompanied by his wife and 17-year-old daughter Helen (left)—they saw him off—at London Airport as he was about to board a Swiss airliner to return to Greece. He was recalled by his Government following Britain's deportation of Archbishop Makarios from Cyprus. — Reuter photo.

China Preparing Paris Exhibition

Paris, Mar. 27. The foundations of the Chinese pavilions to the Paris commercial fair will be laid tomorrow morning, Mr. Chang Chao-hsuan, Secretary-General of the Chinese delegation to the fair, told AFP today. The fair is to open at the end of May.

So far, 20 members of the Chinese delegation have arrived.

Communiqué

The text of the Council's communiqué was:

"The North Atlantic Council has been continually kept informed of the withdrawals carried out by France from the forces placed by her at the disposal of the NATO."

"It has studied the situation which results in Europe from these movements."

"It has taken note that France considered it necessary, in the interests of its own security, to increase the French force in Algeria, which forms part of the zone covered by the North Atlantic Treaty."

Lasting Settlement

"The Council recognises the importance for NATO of the security of this region."

Expressing the hope for a speedy and lasting settlement, the Council has taken note of the desire of the French Government to restore its full contribution to the joint defence of European territory as soon as possible. — France Presse.

NZ Surplus Men

Wellington, Mar. 27. New Zealand has a surplus of 13,399 males according to the latest population statement issued by the Department of Statistics.

The total population is 2,164,755.

In 1955 European births reached a record total in the calendar year of 49,847. — China Mail Special.

Second Area

Questioned about developments in People's China, Mr. Chang said the first five year plan which is to be completed in 1957 provided chiefly for the building of Manchuria as the first industrial area in China, but that immediately after a second heavy industrial area would be erected around Hankow.

This would be based on the development of the Shansi and Pingtung coal mines and the iron mines at Tayeh.

Artisan industry will come later although special care is taken already for the manufacture of carpets.

— France Presse.

— China Mail Special.

— France Presse.

Nathaniel Gubbins

ONE of the 75,000,000 readers who write to me each week asks: "How old are you? I seem to remember your name in the papers for a long time."

Here is the answer given to a reporter in an interview:

Who is the oldest man in the country still working and hating every minute of it?

The answer must be Mr Nathaniel Gubbins, who admits that, if he doesn't fall down the stairs and break his neck, he will soon get a telegram from the Queen congratulating him on his 100th birthday.

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Despite his great age, Mr Gubbins still retains most of his faculties, though he doubts if this amounts to much as he didn't start with many.

"When I was a boy," said Mr Gubbins, "my schoolmaster told me that all the tools he had tried to teach I was the biggest fool of the lot."

"After that, journalism seemed to be the only occupation open to a mind so completely blank, but as editors also regarded me as the biggest fool they had ever met, and still do, I was obliged to become a columnist."

Mr Gubbins has never passed an examination in his life, never wanted to pass one, and thinks that if he had been a young man today he would have been king of the Teddy boys.

Questioned about the most vivid incidents in his long life, Mr Gubbins said his earliest recollection was punching his father on the nose when he was two years old.

"Since then," he said, "I have wanted to punch almost everybody on the nose. They say one's natural instincts are apparent at an early age."

Mr Gubbins does not believe much in the 'good old days' because he can't remember any.

He never went to Romano's to drink champagne out of chorus girls' shoes, and doubts if anybody else did unless they were mentally unbalanced people in need of medical advice. He could afford neither Romano's nor champagne.

"Nor the chorus girls," he added, a bitter smile wrinkling his ancient face.

But he does remember eating 6d. lunches, baby's head (steak and kidney pudding) for 3d., and two veg at 1d. each.

"They charged you another penny for gravy, which they kept in a metal drawer under the counter," he said.

"If you call those 'the good old days you can have them'" asked what he thought of modern girls, Mr Gubbins said he had stopped thinking about them a long time ago.

Mr Gubbins has no hobbies, does not own a television set, and only listens to the news in case somebody has started another war without telling him about it.

He still eats three good meals a day and is able to walk to the low tavern 50 yards away from his home.

"At my age," he said, "the only difficulty is walking back."

People's Worries

AS it has been said often enough that other people's worries help you to forget your own, let me cheer you up today with some problems that are bothering less fortunate citizens.

For instance, while you and I were grumbling at the snow last month, farmers in South-East Hampshire were grumbling because they were the only people in the country who didn't get any.

Their case was that a covering of snow would have protected their crops against the bitter frost.

As we are aware that farmers grumble at everything, cold winters and mild winters, wet summers and dry summers, rain and sunshine, it only barges' reunion dinner.

Inflation Under New Rules

WHAT do they know of inflation who only Nassau know?"

This absurd question is prompted by some news I have been reading about rich people hiding from the cold weather and the credit squeeze in the sunny Bahamas.

To quote:

"Sir Francis Peck has just sold his house to Mr E. P. Taylor... He paid £80,000 for the house, of which £20,000 was for furniture. Industrialist David Brown is spending his first season in the house he bought. It is an attractive beach residence which cost Mr Brown £52,000.

"Just across the channel on Hog Island... Mr Axel Wenner-Gren's estate covers a large area... Lady Bufile is another resident. Her house is the finest in the Caribbean..."



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THEY'VE EVEN ASKED GREER GARSON TO STAND FOR CONGRESS

Oh dear, how Hollywood has changed!

WHEN Greer Garson told me during tea — served by a butler named Joseph — that she had been asked to stand for Congress, I realised the awful truth about Hollywood — which none of the exposés has yet revealed. The place is becoming respectable. It can no longer live up to its bad name.

If Miss Garson ever becomes a Congress-woman she would bring to the job many outstanding qualities, charm, wit and sparkle. But she would be the only Congress-woman, I feel

sure, who grows orchids at the bottom of her bath. The orchids, I should say, are not essential to the business of taking a bath in Hollywood.

They are merely a part of the decorative scheme. The decorative scheme of the Garson household is worth worth describing.

One film star will soon be occupying a throne in Monaco. Now another may one day sit in Congress. At this rate it will not be long before Errol Flynn joins the Salvation Army.

Her house in Bel Air is the nearest thing to the popular conception of a



MISS GARSON
The poodles match the carpets.



Dag Hammarskjold



"Shilling each way Frisky Scot for the Lincolnshire and an even shilling Dr. Fisher doesn't ask Malenkov round for tea."

London Express Service

The Man They Call Mr United Nations

By JENNIFER JOHNS

AT the end of this month — on March 31 to be exact — it will be just two-and-a-half years to the day since I received an urgent cable from London asking me for a 500-word potted biography of a man called Dag Hammarskjold who, only a few hours previously, had been elected Secretary-General of the United Nations in succession to Mr Trygve Lie.

Over here as the snow fell faster and thicker and the wild winds blew, we heard the Chancellor of the Exchequer asking us to play a game with new rules.

The rules were that we should not ask for higher wages in case we brought the country to ruin, that we should help the export drive by not spending money on things we could do without.

At first sight, the London request seemed easy enough. I only had to thumb through a few biography sources to learn all about Mr Hammarskjold. In actual fact, the assignment proved one of my most difficult for, although I soon discovered that the then 48-year-old Dag Hjalmar Agne Carl Hammarskjold, had a fine record of public service in his native country (at 31 he was the youngest man ever appointed Under-

Secretary of the Swedish world problems in a truly international manner, with no place kept open for national bombast of any description.

Mr Hammarskjold's concept of the United Nations' role, as the world teeters on the edge of catastrophe, is truly in keeping with all that is meant by the "quiet diplomacy" for, in the view of this Swedish lawyer-economist,

the UN "responds to the world, the world does not respond to the UN, and this is as it should be. The UN is like a piece of machinery that begins to run when it is needed."

As proof of the success of his philosophy, Hammarskjold himself calls "quiet diplomacy" — an approach to

events that demonstrates the stronger position today of the world organisation — the Asian-African conference at Bandung, where there was "a strong UN accent, stronger than anyone has suspected," and the meeting of 72 nations at Geneva in the "atoms for peace" conference, an event he has compared with the Industrial Revolution.

Quiet Diplomacy

TODAY, half way through his five-year term of office (and just back from a six-week world tour) the United Nations Secretary-General is known as the man who has restored what has been described as the "one-dimensional" to international affairs. This "dimensional" Dag Hammarskjold himself calls "quiet diplomacy" — an approach to

machinery that begins to run when it is needed.

Of this trip, Hammarskjold has said publicly: "Many things have hap-

pened during my time here as Secretary-General for which I have great reason to be very grateful. However, with the present perspective, I would say that no event or anything which I have been permitted to do ranks higher on that list of causes for gratitude than my trip to Peking."

The word "gratitude" was directed toward the 60 member nations for allowing him to follow his philosophy of "quiet diplomacy."

As Mr Hammarskjold enters the last half of his term of office, he sees his job as an all important factor in the building of trust among UN member nations. On the one hand he feels that many people consider that the UN has slipped into the background. On the other he believes they are wrong in this conclusion, for it is in the wings of the political stage (not in the headlines) that he believes UN's influence in world affairs and in securing peace is being more greatly felt than ever.

Giant Party

IT is obvious in the first few minutes of meeting Secretary-General Hammarskjold that his "quiet diplomacy" is really a reflection of himself and his own personality, and those who work with him are convinced that he has a remarkable talent for putting them at their ease.

Outside the political field, perhaps the best example of this came when, during his first month as Secretary-General, Hammarskjold visited every office in the giant UN building and shook hands with every employee. It was reported at the time that he found the staff "depressed and anxious" because of the charges of "subversion" which then enveloped them.

In a magnificent (and successful) attempt to disperse this gloom he organised a giant party for 4,000 of the UN workers, complete with such celebrities as Marion Anderson and Danny Kaye. It was during this party that he put everyone at ease in the pronunciation of his difficult name. With typical good humour he explained that "Hammer-skold" was somewhere around the proper pronunciation, but I will understand if you pronounce it some other way."

Going back down the years Dag Hammarskjold was once described as "that quiet, young man who talks so little and does so much." Today, as the poetry-loving Secretary-General heads for his 61st birthday (in July), the description still stands. Perhaps, in view of his latest whirlwind tour, made with a minimum of publicity — even more so.

A mirrored wall folds back to reveal a bar where Miss Garson serves a speciality called Zubrovna. The Shah of Persia and the Empress were visitors to this house during their stay here.

Farouk's mother is regular caller. She lives out here. Senators and governors are in and out all the time.

Miss Garson can afford all this (plus a house in Dallas, a ranch called "Foothills Lightning" in New Mexico and an apartment in New York) because she is married to "Buddy" Fogelson who is in oil.

You see, the really rich people in Hollywood today are usually in oil, steel or soap. Not in pictures.

• BY • THE • WAY •
by Beachcomber

"WHY," asked the magistrate, "did you put the saucpan on your head?" "I was pretending it was a hat, to amuse them," said the man, "and the cabbage-water poured all over me."

"Do you usually put on your hat," asked the magistrate,

• JACOBY
ON BRIDGE

Bridge Simple If
Foes Guess

By OSWALD JACOBY

HOW would you play today's South hand at a contract of three no-trump? West opens the five of diamonds, and you win the first trick with the queen. How do you proceed?

You have eight tricks in top cards, and you can easily develop a ninth trick by successfully guessing the location of the queen of hearts. If you make a mistake by taking the finesse in the wrong direction, however, you will go down.

A good guesser needs no advice. If you occasionally mis-

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♦	784		
♠	KQ95		
WEST		EAST	
♦	AQ5	♦ 10876	
♥	74	♥ Q9852	
♦	K10853	♦ J9	
♠	1003	♦ 42	
SOUTH (D)			
♦	K94		
♥	A5		
♦	AQ2		
♠	AJ87		
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South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	2 ♠	Poss
3 NT	Poss	Poss	Poss
			Opening lead—♦ 5

gue a spumen, however, you can find a better way to play today's hand than by trying to make your ninth trick in hearts.

Take three rounds of clubs, cash the ace of diamonds, and then let West take his diamond trick. You can discard a spade on the fourth round of diamonds and a club on the fifth round. Dummy has no problems, of course, since two spades can be spared. You carefully retain from cashing a fourth club in order to have this safe discarding available at this time.

Having taken his diamonds, West must now lead a spade or a heart. In either case, he lead must guarantee your ninth trick. Bridge is an easy game when you can make your opponents take your guesses for you.

• CARD Sense ♦

Q—The bidding has been:

South West North East

1 Diamond Pass 1 N.T. Pass

?

You, South, hold:

♦A J ♦K Q ♣A K Q 10 4 ♣9 4

What do you do?

A—Bid two hearts. This "reverse" bid is as strong as a raise to two no-trump. If North cannot raise hearts you will go on to game in no-trump.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

4♦ ♦K Q J 9 4 ♣A K Q 10 4 ♣1

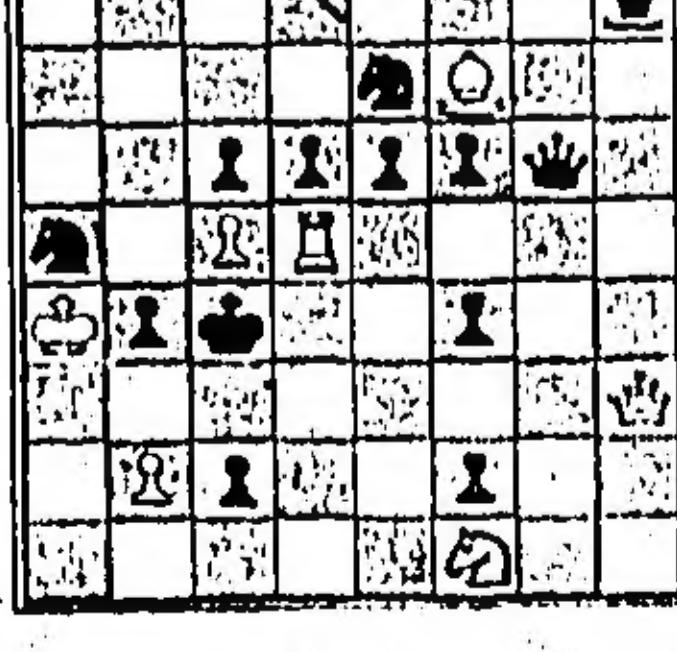
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By K. ROZIC

Black, 13 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

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2. Kt, 3. P—B2; 2. K—B2; 3. P—B2; 2. P—B3 (ch).

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

BORN today, you have what is objective, then you can become one traditionally called a "type" of the outstanding individual in your contemporary scene.

Science and metaphysics both interest you. You would especially be highly intuitive and must learn to follow that "hunch." When you are much too inclined to go from one extreme to another, but let yourself be persuaded against it and nothing goes as it should!

Among those born on this date are: William Mengelberg, noted conductor; Helen Westley, actress; George Simon de La Place and Sears Conard, violinists; Dr. Max Joseph Lehman and Theodore Freudenthal, dentists; Aristide Briand, French statesman; Louis Wolheim, American Douglas B. Warwick, author; and Samuel Sewell, noted jurist.

The stars have, perhaps, compensated, by giving you a quick, brilliant mind which may be very useful. There is a tendency to make mistakes, but they must be quick errors. "They bring you a little extra especially in youth when the early formative years are so important to your future."

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THURSDAY, MARCH 29

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Business affairs, especially those which also concern others, are well favored just now. Domestic scene good.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you are thoroughly agreeable with others, you easily get what you want exactly what you want.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If you happen to be job-hunting these days, then this should be a fine time for you to make the change.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—Actions definitely speak louder than words some days—and this happens to "it" come what may.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—Good planning will show excellent results. What you say and stick to it come what may.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Get out just exactly what you want out of life today. Some important ambition may be achieved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Confidential matters, either in the realm of business or romance, can be successfully handled now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Your ambitions will count for something important. Don't postpone or procrastinate any more.

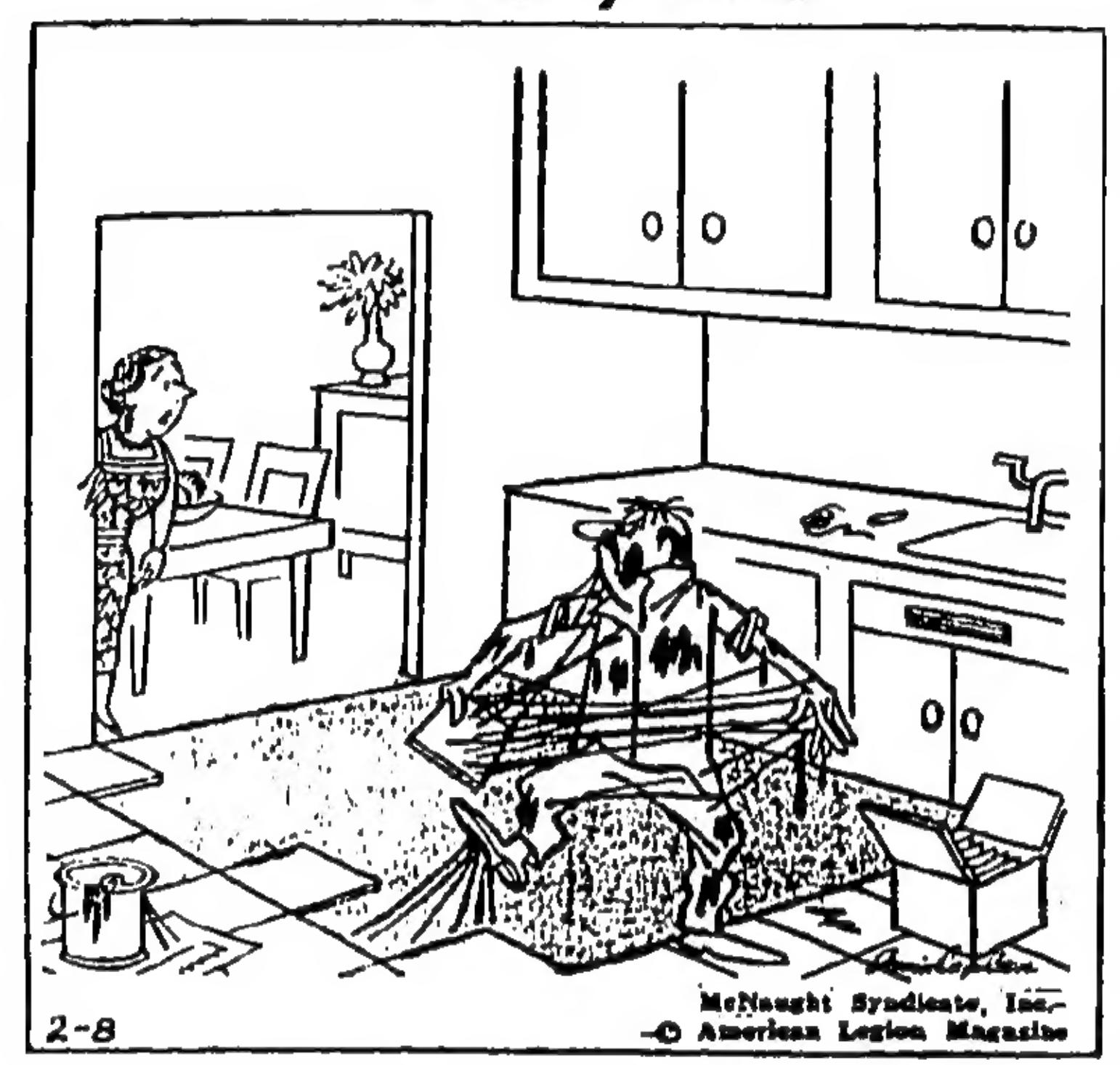
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Intelligence plus past experience should see you through any kind of trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—The green lights are on for most of your activities. Get an early start and accomplish a lot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Combine personal, social and business interests for mutual advantage. Plan for your future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 21)—Romantic scenes to be well-arranged just now. Follow your heart when it comes to something important.

This Funny World



A peek into the boudoir

DO not be too ready to offer your sympathy to a lady who seems to have been given two black eyes. Do not start off that stuff about her husband not understanding her or appreciating her. The black eyes, apparently, the latest thing in breath-taking beauty. The lids are smeared with a blend of stuff which produces a shadow almost up to the brows, intensified into thick colour just behind the lash roots. And if this is not enough to captivate, there is "the line drawn from the corner of the eye and continued up and out parallel with the brow." Or perhaps a girl prefers to dip her plastic Philon eyelashes in Silibozine.

An evening's music

A SONG based on the list of Huntingdonshire Cabins is to be sung by Ludmilla Garibay, the soprano of the Debut Hall Festival. The air is adapted from an old Huntingdonshire folksong, and the words were chosen by ballot. The lyrics are:

Young, F. H., Archer, T., N. L., Murdoch, C. S., Bonde, W. R., Capmore, C. C., Thompson, N.W., Blund, H., Wyvern, F. J.

Refrain:

Gretton, M.R., Harris, O., Mattha, B. E., Stevens, F. J. H., Adams, V., Adams, H. T., Barrington, R., Nunthorpe, Nunthorpe, K.D., Nunthorpe, Nunthorpe, K. D.

TARGET

T	S	A
G	T	E
C	I	A

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? To make the letters in each of the small squares may only. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, which must be the same in every word used to make the word for the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TO DAY A YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: After a while you will find that the letters in the square on the left are the same in every word used to make the word for the list.

IT was a strange thing. It wouldn't be likely to happen to you or to me. It could only happen to Knarf and Hanid, the shadows.

This is what happened.

Knarf and Hanid had just stretched themselves out on the rug in the corner of the room when they heard a little sound. It seemed to come from the bookshelf. They opened their eyes and looked.

They could hardly believe their own yes.

It Tumbled Out

They saw a giraffe stretching its head out of the pages of the Natural History Book and at this instant, just as they were watching, the giraffe suddenly came tumbling out. It fell to the floor and scrambled to its feet, then it went dashing around the room, bumping its head against the chairs and the lamp. It was about the size of a mouse with a very long neck.

Knarf and Hanid could see that it was very frightened. It finally stood pressed against the wall in the farthest corner of the room, its thin legs shaking.

"Oh, you poor dear thing," said Hanid, "please don't be afraid of us."

Afraid Of Cats

The giraffe looked at them for a moment, then it spoke. "I'm not afraid of you. I'm afraid of those cats."

"Cats?" said Knarf. "What cats?"

"I live in that Natural History Book," explained the giraffe, "but somebody tore a hole in the front cover. I'm afraid of those cats."

"Oh, dear," said Hanid. "I know what you mean!"

"I've never seen any to frightened me with their tails," the giraffe added.

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WOMANSENSE

THE SPRING LOOK

—FROM U.S.A.

It looks as though she is wearing three hats. In fact, there is only one. This is an American spring hat for 1956, designed by Cesar Rubio. It has transparent black tulip brim and cascades of yellow rose petals.

London Express Service.

Not Much Profit In A Boring Job

If you are considering getting a part-time job, do please pay attention to whether you will really enjoy it or not, whether it really will interest you. Even if you just need the money and are working only for the pay cheque, you'll make out much better in a job you like than in one you don't.

The reason is that there is very little profit in a job that bores you, because you spend more money on "consolation prizes."

One woman I know has a nine-to-one job which is not a big up her alloy. By one o'clock she is stayed and exhausted and irritated, so she blows herself to a fancy lunch to cheer herself up, instead of having soup and a sandwich at home.

In other words, she blows a high percentage of her take-home pay on those lunches, which she would not find necessary if she had a job she liked.

So figure out how much you are spending now for "consolation prizes," and see if you might not have more profit in a job that paid less but gave you enjoyment.

Second, and just as important, is the effect on your personality, disposition, and looks.

When a woman combines housework with an outside job, she expends a lot of energy. If the job is a bore, she expends double the energy, and will forever be complaining.

That kind of tension and bitterness and unhappiness is bad for the disposition, and tends to make you snap at the children and the husband. Also, it gives you a dull and lackluster look which detracts considerably from your appearance.

On the other hand, a job which you love makes you doubly attractive.

Never underestimate the importance of liking your job, even if it is a part-time one which you've taken only for financial reasons. If you like it, you'll bring home more money, you'll be more attractive, and you'll advance faster!

—ANNE HEYWOOD

Now School For Ambitious Wives

Indianapolis.

HUBBY brings the boss home for dinner. The boss brings roses for the wife. So what does the little woman do? She stuffs the roses in a milk bottle.

A faux pas of the worst order. Maybe the missus needs to enroll in the "Fortune Hunter's Course" . . . for ambitious wives, of any age, who are anxious to help their husbands to the Big Job."

"It's unique," said Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips, director of the new Hiway House, billed as "a school of personal arts."

The course, a nine-week affair, is one of several to be offered at the school, designed for women who own one of the following:

Mrs. Phillips said that in talking to the boss, the wife should "avoid all personal matters pertaining to the husband," unless, of course, she can point out off-handedly, some quality the boss didn't know about.

It's better, said Mrs. Phillips, to ask, "What don't you like about cats?" This way the other person is forced to talk in terms of more than a word or two.

Another principle, perhaps more important, is



The Spot of Honour at the Top of the Sports Parade is in danger of being overcrowded this week as we welcome and congratulate the many Army athletes who did so well in the Colony Championships at the new Hong Kong Stadium on Sunday.

With our congratulations goes a very special pat on the back to Cpl T. Bailey of the North Staffordshire Regiment who surprised everybody with a magnificent effort in the 400 Metres. Returning a new Colony record time of 51 secs., he drove the hot favourite, 2/Lt. Boorman, into second place.

Lieut Keith Burch was again in wonderful form and in spite of a nasty injury won both the 800 Metres and 1500 Metre new record times. Record breaking is becoming such a regular occurrence as far as this fine athlete is concerned that the true merits of his consistent form are in danger of being overlooked. His times of 1 min. 57.8 secs. for the shorter distance and 4 mins. 10.2 secs. for the longer one will not be easily beaten by any of his current opponents although he may well improve on both of them himself before the season is over.

The Army also claimed winners in the Javelin (C. M. Brand), in the High Jump (Cpt Jackson), the 200 metres (R. Williams), the Pole Vault (Cpt Jackson), as well as a team success in a very exciting 4 x 400 metres Relay when a strong combination of Keith Burch, 2/Lt. Pagan, 2/Lt. Boorman and Cpl Brown just managed to overcome their old rivals from South China.

A word of passing praise too for another grand job of announcing by Major Donald Elrick.

There are several fine inter-unit soccer matches on the programme this week. The good folks of the Sek Kong area can see 7 Hussars inside League Championships North Staffs at Ironside Stadium tomorrow at 3 p.m. while 27 HAA Regt (RA) meet the 1 Kings Own at Soo-pam on Friday at 3 p.m. These are the semi-final ties in the Many Units Challenge Cup and both should provide some thrilling soccer.

BOXING RESULTS

Here now are the results of the finals of the FAIRFIELD Individual Boxing Championships in which Hongkong boxers were involved. **Bantamweight:**—Cpl. Calvert (RASC) (Spore) beat Cpt. Holland; Lt. Weller Pte. Rogers (Northampton) beat Pte. Wales (10/10 Hussars) (Malaya); **Welterweight:**—Cpt. Hancock, REME beat L/Cpl Stanford REME (Malaya); **Middleweight:**—Pte. Smith (Northampton) beat Cpl Brown R. Sigs. (Spore).

Hongkong's three new FAIRFIELD Champions all won their titles on points while Holland was beaten on a TKO. Special congratulations must go to Pte Rogers who beat Cpt. Legerton, the Hongkong and Land Forces Champion in the semi-final, before going on to collect his FAIRFIELD title.

LAND FORCES

Land Forces representatives Donnelly, Flanagan, Chan Shiu-sum, McIver, Scott, Meigh, Bruce, Littlehales, McMenemy and Allison were all beaten in the preliminary stages.

It is still not known what happened to S.I. Madden who beat Pte. Webster, the Singapore and South East Asian star in his first bout but apparently took no further part in the Championships.

A spot has been reserved in the programme at 3.15 p.m. and the supporters of both teams will be looking forward to the tussle which has caught the fancy of the athletic public.

The Medicals' challenge was duly despatched to the Gunners last week together with an invitation to have a meal afterwards at the hospital. I am assured that the second part of the invitation is "unconditional" on a win for 33 General Hospital-will definitely take place at Boundary Street during the Land Forces Individual Athletic Championships on Saturday April 7.

THE BIG PULL

It now seems almost certain that the big pull ... the Tug-of-War challenge match between 27 HAA Regt RA and 33 General Hospital-will definitely take place at Boundary Street during the Land Forces Individual Athletic Championships on Saturday April 7.

The Gunners are a competent and well balanced team and it would indeed be a great achievement if the RAMC team—the Minor Units Champions—succeeded in their sporting challenge.

Cuttings from the United Kingdom newspapers have enjoyed a special popularity in the Colony this week as many of them concern Corporal Roland Morris, the ex-Army and Colony centre-forward.

Morris is in action with Aston Villa and already his goalscoring potential has caught the fancy of the sports-writers. This is understandable for in his first Central League match he banged in a couple before he had worked up a sweat.

Writing to a friend in the Colony this week Harry Crompton, the ex-Army skipper says he went along to see Morris in action in his first game and reports that "Moe" was right on form.

Crompton, who does not complete his service until later this year, has also had Am-

Boyd-Rochfort Expects Steady Flow Of Winners This Year He Trains 17 For The Queen

By JAMES PARK

The Queen should derive much pleasure from seeing her colours carried by worthy home-bred stock during the season. She has 17 horses in training with Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochfort at Freemason Lodge, Newmarket, and some of them show much promise.

A year ago I thought Atlas and High Veldt were too small to live up to their high lineage. High Veldt developed on excellent lines during his two-year-old career. Atlas still looks rather small but the change in him is astonishing.

Just 12 months ago ATLAS could only be described as a shaggy little pony. Today he is an elegant colt of the most exquisite outline. He is a typical product of the Djebel family, in that he has quality rather than size and scope. But he is beautifully modelled and very difficult to fault.

HIGH VELDT may not have grown a lot but he is neat and compact and on good terms with himself. His only classic engagement is in the St Leger. Atlas is in the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby.

In the background is the unknown MEDIC, who is in all three classic races. High Veldt found his form in the second half of the season and finished by winning the Brightling Stake over the Rowley Mile at Newmarket. That suggests he may have a fair measure of stamina to the two-year-olds.

APART from the Queen's horses there are over 40 others worth a special article to themselves. RETRIAL looks a picture and will take his chance in the Lincolnsale. I fancy we shall see him more to advantage later in the season.

Then the gallant old stayer, PAPILLIO is sound again and the four-year-old PERIWIG is one of the best stayers bred by Court Martial. In that respect he is a contradiction to his breeding.

GROWING MEDIC could cause me to go into raptures. He, too, was on the small side as an early two-year-old, but is now a fine big colt with everything a good horse should have, but I prefer not to pass an opinion on his racing pedigree.

THE AMERICAN bred IN DESPATCHES won his only race as a two-year-old in an impressive style. He has lengthened and put on weight in the right places and it is a pity he has no classic engagements.

PRINCE MOON did not quite fulfil expectations as a two-year-old but he has been slow to develop. The only other second-season colt is DENTATE, and he will make a smart sprinter.

THE FILLES make a lovely collection. The beautiful medium-sized MAMOUNIA cost a lot of money as a yearling, but is worth it. Whether she or the taller VICTORIA CROSS will be the hope for the 1,000 Guineas remains to be seen, but Mamounia should prove the better stayer on breeding.

LARGO is a strongly made Alycidon filly, who has overcome her leg trouble, and SONSA is a neat filly by Hyperion who has thrived through the winter.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

(1) Footballing prowess

(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the Club.
(Signed).

SCHOOLBOYS' INTERPORT

After a trial game held at Boundary Street yesterday the following players have been selected to represent the Hongkong Schoolboys team in their Soccer Interport match against Macao, on Sunday at Macao:

Chan Cheuk-wing (Aberdeen), Cheung Kam-noon (King's), Ko Wee-tak (Poole Sun), So Man-to (Queen's), P. Groves (KGV), Mark Kio-wai (St. Joseph's), D. Horley (KGV), Ko Po-wong (WYK), Kader Rahman (Queen's) captain, Fong Chi-choi (Queen Elizabeth), Chen Kwong-fat (Aberdeen), Wong Tse-leung (WYK), Cheung Kam-hei (St. Louis), Chan Kai-man (King's), Yue Chung-yuen (St. Louis), Lau Yung-dong (Queen Elizabeth), J. Lee (WYK), Lin Yin-fun (St. Louis).

The team will leave here on Saturday and will be accompanied by Bro. Cronan as team manager.

SOCER NEWS

Fulham Guarantees Haynes A Full Benefit Next Season

By JAMES CONNOLLY

The Football League have turned down an application by Fulham to let the two years Johnny Haynes served as an amateur at Craven Cottage count towards his benefit.

Now Fulham have set £750 aside from the £25,000 WBA paid for Robson and guaranteed Haynes a full benefit next season.

When Robson left Craven Cottage, some of the big spenders had the idea that Johnny would soon follow.

But Chairman Charles Dean feels that Johnny's future is tied up with Fulham.

"We will not sell Johnny Haynes, not for any consideration," he told me. "He is the man we can build a team around."

"A great player like Haynes can make an average performer pull out a little bit extra."

When skipper Alf Sherwood was injured five weeks ago Cardiff manager Trevor Morris had his fiery leader Trevor Ford team captain.

TREVOR THE SKIPPER

Trevor the skipper has been

that Jimmy Jackson, the 21-year-old Aldershot full-back is the man they want.

Manager Harry Evans isn't keen on parting at the moment, but West Bromwich will be back.

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Asian Amateur Boxing Federation May Be Formed

Manila, Mar. 27.

A Philippine proposal for the organisation of an Asian Amateur Boxing Federation was received favourably yesterday by officials of the South Korean boxing team that fought here in an invitational series of dual meets.

The amateur body will be patterned after its professional counterpart, the Oriental Boxing Federation, which has for its members the Philippines, Japan, Thailand and South Korea.

Congressman Serafin Salvador, chairman of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation's boxing committee, presented the proposal during the farewell luncheon in honour of the Korean boxers at the Philippine Columbia Clubhouse yesterday.

The Philippines, Japan and South Korea will be the probable charter members.

Mr Salvador said five Asian countries, namely Nationalist China, Indonesia, Malaya, Thailand and Burma, have signified their intention to join the proposed federation.

Singapore and Hongkong will be invited to join United Press.

Holiday Hockey Programme

Following is a list of the hockey programme scheduled for this weekend.

LADIES' INTERNATIONALS

Saturday, March 31

Empire v Poole at Happy Valley

3 p.m. Scotland v Ireland at Happy Valley at 4.30 p.m. (Umpires M. F. Xavier, Mr. K. Lall).

MEN'S FIRST DIVISION

Sunday, April 1

Recreo 'B' v K.I.T.C. at Recrelo

at 2.30 p.m. R.A.F. 'A' v Sooknepot at King's Park at 3.45 p.m. Soccer

CUP MATCHES

Monday, April 2

H.K.H.C. v Nav Bharat 'A' at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m.

Dutch H.C. v Sooknepot at Happy Valley at 3.30 a.m.

Recreo 'B' (Replay) at Recrelo at 4 p.m.

R.A.F. 'A' v Recrelo 'A' at Kai Tak at 4 p.m.

Ladies' 7-a-side Knockout

Tournament

This annual series will com-

mened at 10.30 a.m. on Monday

at King's Park. All teams are

asked to be on the ground ready

to start play at 10.30 a.m. A

board will be up showing the

times of matches. When the

results of the first round are

known, a draw will take place

for the second round. Matches

will commence and terminate

by a bell rung by a timekeeper and

scorer. This will relieve the

work of the umpires slightly.

All matches will be ten minutes

each way with an immediate

changeover. The final will be

twenty minutes each way with a

five minutes break. Teams will

appreciate the necessity of tight

timekeeping in order to get

through the full programme.

Please note therefore that teams

must be on the ground ready to

play five minutes before their

scheduled match. Failure to do

this will automatically eliminate

them from the tournament.

Corners will count in the event

of no goals if a goalkeeper is

used. The first round is as

follows:

Grenada Kings v K.G.V. 'A'

(Umpires P. Xavier, J. Gonsalves, Services, P. G. van Ronen, H. Ross).

G.C.C. v K.G.V. 'B' (Z. Abbas, K. Xavier, J. Gonsalves).

Victorians v Grenadines 'B' (P. Xavier, J. Gonsalves).

Recreo 'C' v K.G.V. 'C' (L. van Ronen, Makhan Singh).

LADIES' INTERNATIONALS

Tuesday, April 2

Holland v England at Happy Valley at 5.45 p.m. (Umpires Makhan Singh, Capt. Herbert, L. van Ronen).

MEN'S INTERNATIONALS

Wednesday, April 3

Malaya v Scotland at Happy Valley at 5.45 p.m. (Umpires H. Gribble, H. Ross).

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BANK HOLIDAYS

The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 30th and 31st March and 2nd April, 1956. (Easter Holidays)

NOTICE

H.K. CHINESE MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION
Postponement of Scientific
Meeting

Notice is hereby given that Professor Eastman's lecture on "Post maturity" is postponed to 3rd of May 1956 instead of 29th March, 1956.

C. H. KUAN, (Sd.)

Hon. Secretary,
H.K. Chinese Medical
Association.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"AUTOLYCUS"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs Goddard & Douglas at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m. on April 3 and 4, 1956 and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

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Agents.

Hongkong, March 28, 1956.

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CZECH WOMEN FACE TRADITIONAL 'WHIPPING'

Czechoslovak
heartedly bracing
themselves for their
traditional annual
whipping and water.

According to an old custom men have the right to whip every woman they meet before midday on Easter Monday. In the eastern parts of Slovakia, they dash buckets of water over their womenfolk instead.

The origin of the two customs is obscure but some experts say that the whipping was originally intended to make the women "more swift and agile."

By Order of the Board,
ERNEST SAHMET,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th Mar., 1956.

NOTICE

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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of Shareholders
of the Company will be held at St. George's Building,
Chater Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the
26th day of April, 1956, at
12.15 o'clock in the forenoon
or as soon thereafter as the
business of the Thirtieth
Ordinary Yearly Meeting of
the Company shall be concluded
for the purpose of considering and, if thought
fit, passing the following Resolu-

tion as an Ordinary
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"That it is desirable to
capitalise a sum of \$2,000,000
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accordingly a special
capital bonus of \$2,000,000,
free of income tax, be de-
clared and that such bonus
be applied on behalf of the
persons who on Thursday,
the 26th day of April, 1956,
are holders of the 1,000,000
fully paid-up issued shares
of the Company in payment
in full for 1,000,000 new
shares of the Company of
\$2 each, and that such
1,000,000 new shares cre-
dited as fully paid be ac-
cordingly allotted to such
persons respectively, and
that the shares so allotted
shall be treated for all pur-
poses as an increase of the
nominal amount of the cap-
ital of the Company held by
each shareholder and not as
income and further that
such new shares shall as
from the 1st day of January,
1956, rank for dividend and
in all other respects pari
passu with the already
issued shares."

Hand painting of Easter eggs
is an age-old skill handed down
from mother to daughter through
generations of Slovak peasant families.

PICTURESQUE

They make their colours from
plants and flowers, using saffron
— the stigma of the autumnal
crocus — for yellowish-red
colouring, parsley for green and
onions for rusty-red. With
special small knives they carve
delicate shapes and figures on
the eggs, which are slightly
waxed, and paint them with
tiny brushes.

At Easter, peasant women in
picturesque national costumes,
with frilly, white lace collars
and cuffs, coloured headscarves
and short skirts over layers of
petticoats, come to the towns to
sell the eggs, strung from bright
ribbons.

In the villages children go
round the houses singing a carol
and asking for eggs. Afterwards
they play games with them,
rolling them downhill. The
owner of the egg which rolls the
farthest without breaking is the
winner and collects all other
eggs in the "race."

Old superstitions said that the
eggs were protection against
toothache.

Other Czechoslovak Easter
customs are a blend of religious
rites and ancient traditions to
welcome the coming of Spring.

On the night of the fourth

Sunday in Lent farmers' wives
in some Slovak and Moravian
villages baked pretzels—crisp,
knot-shaped biscuits flavoured
with salt—and hung them in
trees next morning.

Children were sent out to
look for them after being told
that a fox had left them there
during the night.

Old superstitions said that the
pretzels were protection against
toothache.

A more modern version is to
hide chocolate eggs, sweets,
toys, socks and handkerchiefs in
hedgehogs and baskets in the
garden saying that a hare has
lost them for the children. In
cities some families hide the
gifts in their homes.

Another traditional ceremony
is for village girls to carry an
effigy of an old farm woman re-
presenting winter out of the
village at the head of a pro-
cession of singing and shouting
youths, girls and grown-ups
and then drop it in a river or a pond.

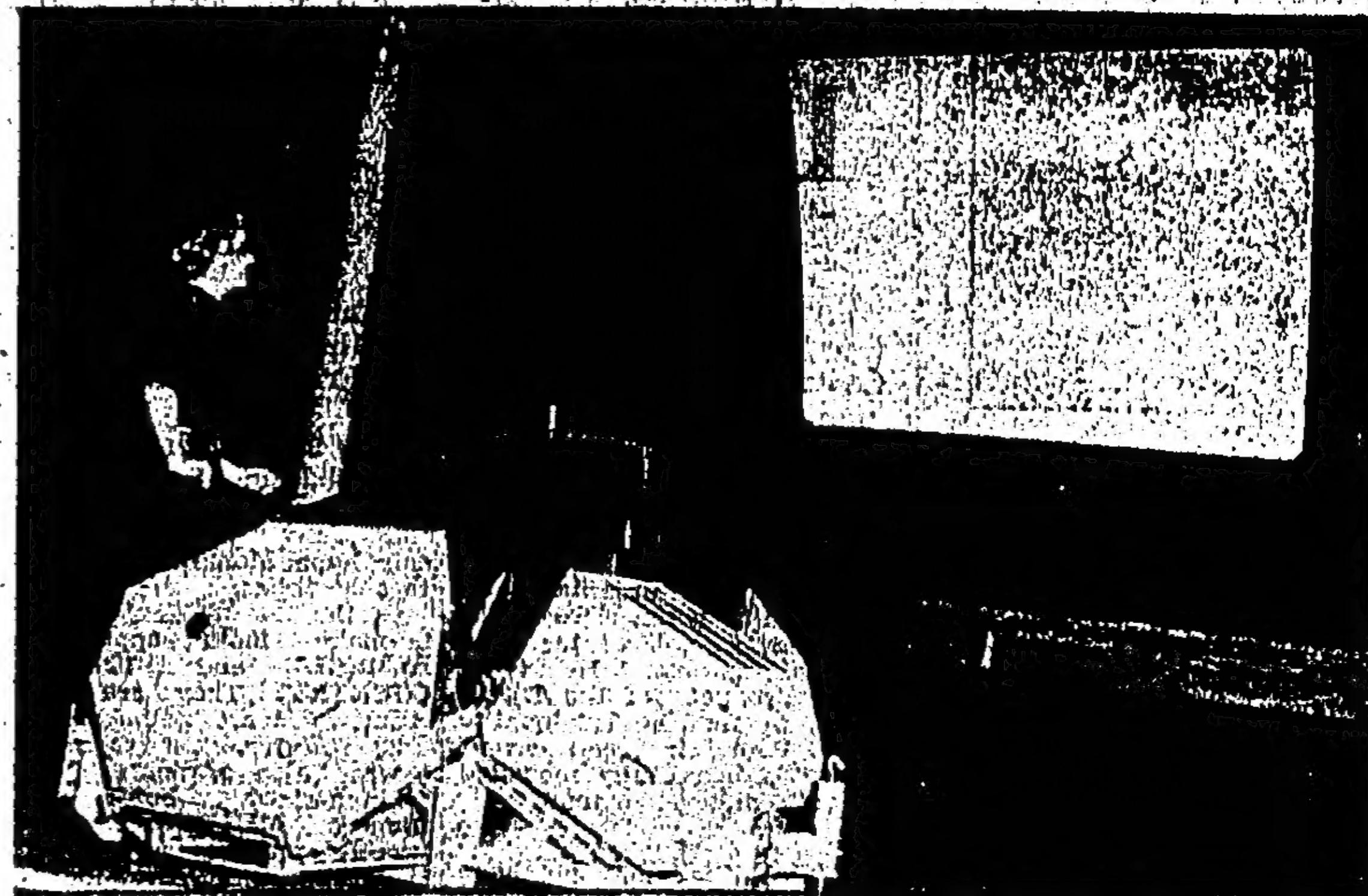
DIED OUT

Then from the rear of the
procession they take the top of a
fir or birch tree, decorated with
ribbons and painted eggs, and
representing summer. This they
carry back to the village
at the head of the procession,
singing a national song "Summer,
summer, where have you
been so long?"

Many old customs have died
out in the villages of Czechoslovakia—but some are still kept.
One of these is for farmers to
give pieces of bread to their
cattle on the morning of Maundy
Thursday, so that they will be
healthy.

Some farmers also kill a pair
of young pigeons and sprinkle
their blood on grain scattered

Demonstration Of Britain's Largest Colour TV Picture



EX-CAMBODIAN PREMIER ENCOUNTERED FRICTION

Bangkok, Mar. 27.
PRINCE Norodom Sihanouk told the United Press in an exclusive interview in Phnom Penh today that he resigned as Cambodian Premier and the presidency of the Council of Cabinet Ministers because he was not able to secure the co-operation necessary to implement his ambitious programme.

Certain financial officers in Phnom Penh had opposed spending the money while the Premier argued that the funds were given to be circulated to effect constructive programmes. This view was confirmed informally by American Embassy officials.

Vice Premier Khin, a strong supporter of the Prince and a capable administrator, was also said to be considering leaving his office.

"If I cannot accomplish the responsibilities of the position, I should turn it to someone else," the Prince said.

The Prince's resignation reportedly sprang from internal friction over the use of

Many of them living in state-owned villas have leased their own homes for extravagant rentals to Americans hard pressed for housing. Such profiteering under Sihanouk's reforms were ended.—United Press.

Copenhagen, Mar. 27.

The Icelandic Government

resigned today. Radio Copenhagen reported tonight. Icelandic

Premier Olafur Thors today

told President Asgeirsson to in-

form him of the Cabinet's

decision.—France-Press.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



By Frank Robbins

Artists Must Find Own Way, Says Ehrenburg

Moscow, Mar. 27.
Famed Soviet author Illy Ehrenburg said in an article published today that an artist must be allowed to find his own way even if the masses have difficulty in understanding some of his work.

Ehrenburg, who recently returned from a trip to India, made the statement in a letter published in the review Soviet Culture, in reply to the charge of one critic that he was "trying to restore formalism."

DID NOT DETRACT

Ehrenburg, a former winner of the Stalin Prize for literature, said the fact that certain films or popular music were more accessible to the masses of people did not detract from the fact that the symphonies of Shostakovich or Prokofiev, or the drama of Goethe, were great.

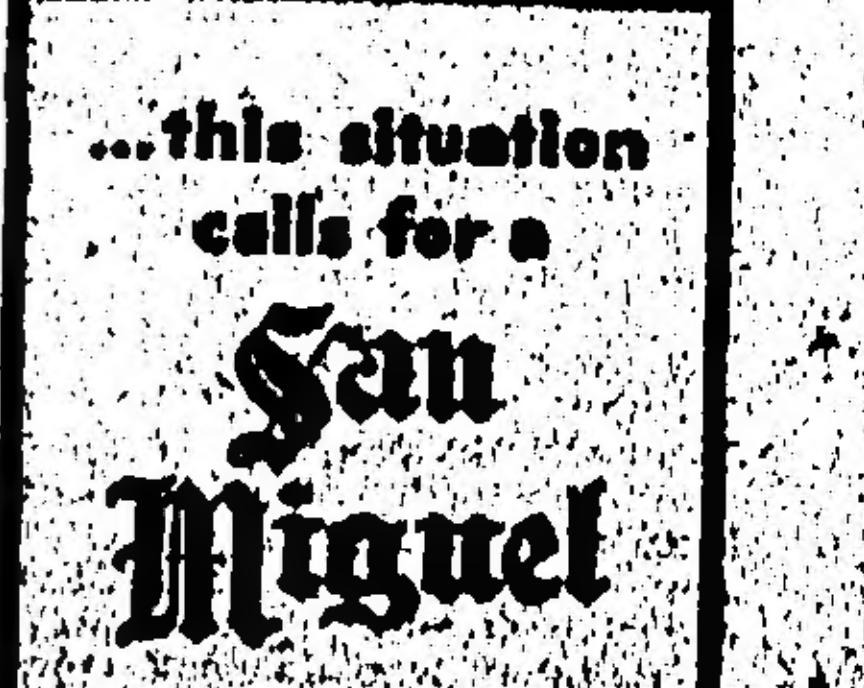
He said that the experimentation of Pablo Picasso, the painter, enriched art.

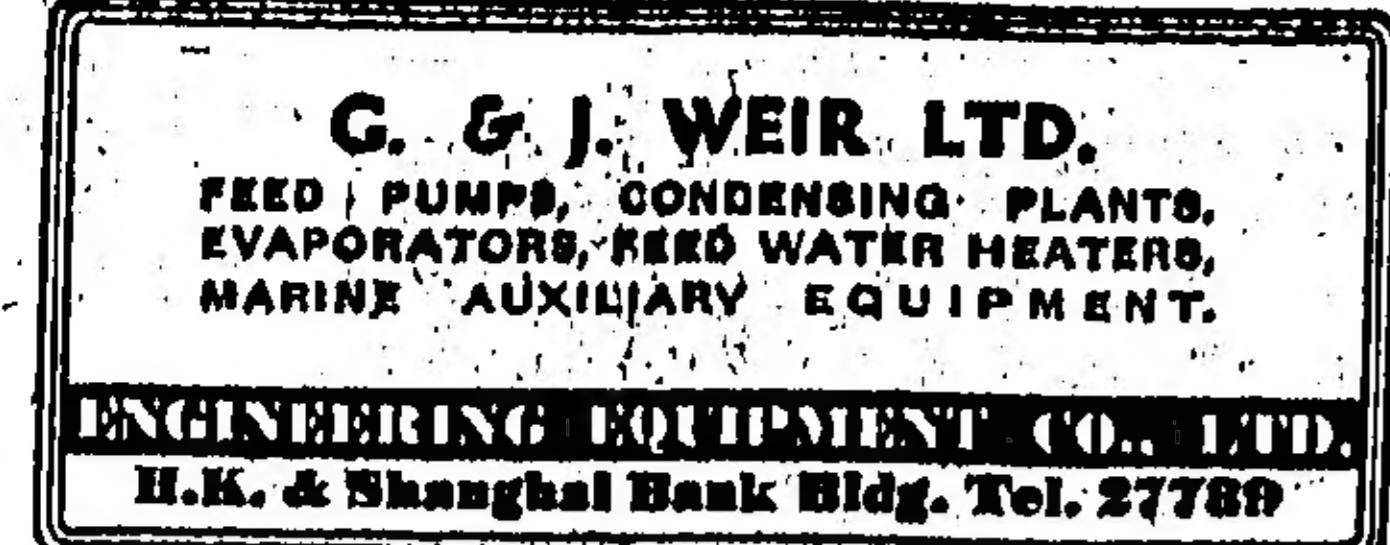
The letter was printed beside an article written by A. Guerassimov, President of the Academy of Fine Arts, which declared on the contrary that "art has no value unless it is in the service of the masses and the Communist Party."—France-Press.

How To Handle Ma-In-Law

Copenhagen, Mar. 27.
The Danish Young Men's Christian Association has organised a popular marriage course for engaged and newly married couples, dealing with everything from courtship and household economics to how to handle mother-in-law.

Mr Soeren Nielsen, YMCA secretary, said that too many newly weds had little idea of the costs of setting up a home.—China Mail Special.





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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Temporary Hero

THE young men met in South-East London, where both lived. Michael was 19, Richard 17, and the younger boy quickly fell under the spell of the older. For Michael had stories to tell that were as packed with unlikely adventures as the make-believe tales that children tell each other.

But Michael's stories were true.

He may have embroidered some parts of them, and have glossed over others, but in court records and police files was support for much of what he said.

AN EARLY START

AT 14 years old, the records would confirm Michael had been put on probation for shoplifting and theft. In the same year he did three months in a detention centre.

When he was 15, Michael was sent to an approved school for after-breaking, shop-breaking, larceny. He added the magic strokes to take 30 cases into consideration.

The approved school, with its house system and its atmosphere of hopeful good will, its trust and appeal to loyalty, did not much affect Michael.

He had hardly left before another court was sending him to Borsal for being on enclosed premises, and taking and driving away without licence, insurance, or leave, someone else's car.

UP WEST

ON their second meeting, Michael had a suggestion to make: "Let's go up West," he said to Richard. "I'll show you a room or two."

The pair came to the West End, where Michael demonstrated how to go about stealing from parked cars. The demonstration ended in the arrest of both boys for being suspected persons loitering with intent to steal.

Thursday's Special.....

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Action For Recovery Of Factory

After an adjournment of 12 days, hearing continued of an action for recovery of factory premises in Un Chau Street, Shamshui Po, before Mr Justice James Wicks in the Supreme Court this morning.

The plaintiff seeking recovery is Mu Ip-hung, merchant of 111 Parkes Street, who is represented by Mr Terence Shurlock, instructed by Mr R. Dyer of Deacons.

Mr Brook Bernacchi, instructed by Mr J. C. Stewart, is representing the defendant, Lai Chuen, trading as the King Hing Factory, of 322 Un Chau Street.

Plaintiff claimed he let an area of 2,080 square feet in Un Chau Street to defendant under a lease dated August 11, 1949, for five years, at a monthly rental of \$520. Under a clause, the defendant agreed to surrender the premises, together with all erections on it when the lease expired, without compensation from the plaintiff.

Plaintiff alleged further that the lease expired on September 30, 1954, but that defendant was still in possession of the premises. Plaintiff asked for possession of the area and the buildings on it; mesne profits at \$520 a month from October 1, 1954, until date of possession; and costs.

The defence was that under another clause of the lease the defendant was entitled to renew the lease for another five years, with terms to be agreed by both parties. Defendant maintained he had given notice that he intended to exercise that option of renewal.

Plaintiff, it was further claimed, never discussed any terms for the renewal and that, acting on the representation that he had a right to renew the lease, defendant spent \$25,000 in erecting a new building.

CROSS-EXAMINED

The defendants who gave evidence at the previous hearing on March 19, was cross-examined by Mr Shurlock.

He said that it was the first lease he had ever entered into and he did not know if it was all important or not. He maintained that as he did not know English he could not interpret Mr Chau in the Chinese language.

Interpreted, the lease is for five years. At that time he had no suspicion of the integrity or truthfulness of Mr Chau as interpreter.

Mr Shurlock pointed out that in several places the lease mentioned the term of five years.

NOT AS CLEARLY

The defendant said that the landlord, the plaintiff, told him that the lease was for five years first and then there was to be a renewal for another five years. He could not remember if he was interpreted to him from the lease, but Mr Chau definitely did interpret the lease as clearly to him as the Court interpreter did at the previous hearing.

The defendant said he knew the lease was to be for five years but he also understood that there would be a renewal for another five years.

The defendant agreed that it was his greatest protection for him if the lease was renewed for ten years. But the plaintiff assured him that he would not be out of court until the end of the first five years but there could be another five years which amounted to the same thing, he said.

Hearing is continuing.

Two Inquests Held This Morning

Verdicts of death from natural causes were returned by juries at inquiries into the death of two prisoners before Mr W. F. Pickering, sitting as Coroner, at Central this morning.

At the first inquest, it was stated the deceased, Ip Cho-man, 35, had been convicted on March 16 on a charge of dealing in heroin and had been sentenced to three months. He was admitted to Victoria Remand Prison on the same day and was later admitted to the Prison Hospital where he died that evening.

At the second inquest, the Coroner was told the prisoner, Wong Keung, 50, was sentenced to a fine of \$100 or one month for possession of a heroin pipe on March 9. He was admitted to Stanley Prison Hospital on March 16 where he died the same evening.

Dr T. M. Teoh, Police surgeon, who performed a post mortem on Ip, said he found the cause of death to be shock and haemorrhage due to perforation of the stomach ulcer.

At the second inquest, the service was held at Trinity Church, HMS Tamar. The Rev. J. Newman, Naval chaplain officiated at the church and cemetery services.

Lieut. Lowson is survived by Mrs Mary Lowson, of Johannesburg, South Africa. Lieut. Hallstone is survived by Mrs Doreen Hallstone, of Cheshire.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



Children's High Standard Of Work

Mr K. A. Blidmead, Acting Commissioner of Police, this morning presented prizes to the winners of the Jaycees poster competition conducted in connection with the traffic exhibition at the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Addressing the gathering, Mr Blidmead said:

The standard of the work submitted was very high and showed, not only a very real appreciation of the requirements of road safety, but also artistic talent of a high order.

I am sure you boys and girls who took part in this competition thought it dangerous that we must guard against speeders on the roads and streets of the Colony and, although the prizes some of you are about to receive are indeed handsome, do you know who your real reward is?

I will tell you—it is the thought that by your efforts you may well be assisting in saving the lives of many of your friends—that is your reward.

It is therefore essential that we all continue to combat these dangers and in this present traffic situation we are endeavouring to make young and old alike Road Safety conscious.

DAILY REMINDERS

Now, traffic exhibitions are all very well in their way but they are very soon forgotten. What is needed is the everyday reminder that, with the start of the rainy season, you have been seeing daily in your papers. Read these carefully and think about them.

Thinking of the tragic and often quite unnecessary loss of life which we have each month and each year among us, you and your friends are encouraged to do not do not take chances. Help us to teach the young and old alike.

In Hongkong the Jaycettes are a very lively body. During the past month they have spent much time and energy in the Road Safety First campaign for the benefit of the Colony, many of whom are not used to driving cars and this further increases the danger of accidents.

It is therefore essential that we all continue to combat these dangers and in this present traffic situation we are endeavouring to make young and old alike Road Safety conscious.

NOTeworthy Year

Seconding the report, Mr D. B. Sinclair said:

Once again, the accounts and your statement of our Company's present position and future prospects must be a source of great satisfaction to shareholders. It is particularly pleasing to note that, although the expansion of our system has naturally increased our working expenses, they actually show a reduction when expressed as a percentage of operating revenue.

The development of our system during the past year has been noteworthy and this year will see a further expansion, yet the demand for our service continues.

You will, I am sure, receive shareholders' full support in the plans you are making to meet this situation and I am, therefore, confident that the resolution to increase the capital will be carried unanimously.

On behalf of the shareholders,

I should like to associate myself with the chairman in his remarks about the hard work put in by our managing director and his staff. They deserve our congratulations.

Mr H. R. M. Cleland and the Hon. Sir Man-kam Lo were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors for the company.

Among those present were:

the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow,

the Hon. T. N. Chu, Mr G. O.

W. Stewart, Mr H. D. M.

Barton, the Hon. Sir Man-kam

Lo and Mr D. Benson

(Managing Director), Mr S.

Grove (Secretary) and a num-

ber of shareholders.

Funeral Of Air Crash Victims

The two Royal Navy pilots who were killed when their Sea Hawk jet planes crashed during the fly-past over the harbour on Monday were buried with full military honours at the Colonial Cemetery this morning.

The pilots, Lieut. R. A. L.

Lowson, RN, and Lieut. B. W.

Hallstone, RN, were from No 81

Squadron, HMS Cygnus, which

is taking part in "Operation

Monsoon."

Before the burial a funeral

service was held at Trinity

Church, HMS Tamar. The Rev.

J. Newman, Naval chaplain

officiated at the church and

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